<u>Claims</u>

- 1. A detergent composition comprising an acid sensitive montmorillonite clay.
- 2. A composition according to claim 1 in which the ratio of Al₂O₃/MgO in % by weight is less than 4.
- 3. A composition according to claim 1 in which the ratio of Al₂O₃/MgO in % by weight is less than 3.
- 4. A composition according to any preceding claim comprising at least 5% by weight of clay.
- 5. A composition according to claim 4 comprising at least 8%, preferably at least 10% by weight of clay.
- 6. A composition according to any preceding claim which is in powder form.
- 7. A composition according to any preceding claim which is in granulated form and has bulk density >600g/l.
- 8. A composition according to any preceding claim which is in tablet form.
- 9. A composition according to claim 8 wherein the tablet comprises one or more discrete first regions and one or more discrete second regions, and the clay is more highly concentrated in the or each first region than in the or each second region.

10. A composition according to claim 9 wherein the concentration of clay in the or each first region as 2 to 5 times the concentration in the or each second region, and the clay concentration in the or each first region is at least 10% by weight of the or each first region.

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